## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Frédéric FORTIN et al.	) Group Art Unit: 3733
Application No.: 10/760,075	) Examiner: Woodall, Nicholas W.
Filed: January 18, 2004	)
For: FLEXIBLE VERTEBRAL LINKING DEVICE	) Confirmation No.: 1916

## Mail Stop Petition

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

## RENEWED PETITION FOR REVIVAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED

Applicants hereby petition for revival of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/760,075 ("the '075 application"), which became abandoned on or about October 17, 2006.

This petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) is accompanied by: (1) the petition fee of \$770.00 (small entity) required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m); (2) the Declarations of Mr. Frédéric Fortin and Mr. Johann Robin in Support of Petition for Revival Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) of an Application for Patent Unintentionally Abandoned; (3) a Reply to the Outstanding Office Action dated July 17, 2006; and (4) a Power of Attorney including statement in compliance with 37 CFR §3.73(b).

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As the attached Declarations of Messr. Fortin and Robin demonstrate, the abandonment of the inventions disclosed in the '075 application was unintentional. The entire delay from the date in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Accordingly, the undersigned respectfully requests that the '075 application be revived and the enclosed Reply to the Office Action mailed July 17, 2006, be entered.

If any additional fee is due in connection with this filing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge attorney's Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 22, 2008

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